

Pretty Is that Pretty Does.

The spider wears a plain brown dress,
And she is a steady spinner;
To see her, quiet as a mouse,
Going about her silver house,
You would never, never, never guess
The way she gets her dinner.

She looks as if no thought of ill
In all her life had stirred her;
But while she moves with careful tread,
And while she spins her silken thread,
She is planning, planning, planning still,
The way to do some murder!

My child, who reads this simple lay
With eyes down-dropt and tender,
Remember the old proverb says
That pretty is, which pretty does,
And that work does not go nor stay
For poverty nor splendor.

'Tis not the house, and not the dress
That makes the saint or sinner,
To see the spider sit and spin.
Shut with her web of silver in,
You would never, never, never guess
The way she gets her dinner!

—Alice Cary.

A Perfect Model.

There is no model for the human life like that of Christ. In every step from Bethlehem to Calvary we see that devotion to his parents, his fellow-men and his God, that is worthy of imitation. As the God-man he alone of the human family is perfection. No other bible character is worthy of imitation as is that of Jesus Christ, the Savior of mankind. I call attention to the very perfect example laid before us, in the divine record, in the following passages:

His early piety—Luke 2: 46, 47.

His willing subjection to his earthly parents, Luke 2: 51.

His great humility, meekness of temper and lowliness of mind, Matt. 11: 29.

His contentment in the poorest condition Matt. 8: 20.

His tender expression toward the distressed and afflicted, Matt. 20: 34.

His unwearyed endeavors to do good to all, Acts 10: 38.

His frequent private prayers, Matt. 14: 23, Mark 1: 35, Luke. 9: 18.

His great faith in prayer, John 11: 42.

His disposition to gratitude in thanksgiving, Matt. 11: 25, John 11: 41.

His heartfelt grief for the sins and suffering of others, Mark 3: 5.

His pious zeal for public worship, Luke 4: 16, John 2: 13, 17.

His condescension even to the meanest, Matt. 11: 19, Luke 5: 29.

His profitable conversation when in company, Luke 14: 7, 24, Luke 24: 13, 35.

His overcoming of temptation, Matt. 4: 1, 11.

His subjection to the government under which he lived, Matt. 17: 27, Matt. 22: 21.

His cheerful submission to the will of his heavenly Father, Math. 26: 39, Luke 22: 42.

His constant love and practice of holiness, John 4: 34.

His readiness to forgive all who injured him, Luke 3: 54, 56, Luke 23: 34.

His bearing with the weaknesses and infirmities of his brethren after the flesh, Math. 26: 40, 45.

A study of these features in the life of Christ, will give us an elevating idea of the human life. A prayerful disposition to follow this noble life cannot but make us better. Christ alone is a perfect model.

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We Will Try Once More.

By the earnest urging of many brethren we will try once more and engage in revival work for an indefinite length of time. We began operations in our home church. After this, whenever prudence dictates, first. Perhaps we have been too faithless—some brethren think so—we acknowledge that our confidence was considerably shaken. We are radical in our religious principles. We believe if religion is worth anything, it is worth

everything. We need bread and water spiritually: fully as much as we need it for the body. We were sincere in what we told a congregation a few weeks ago: "If I owed God five dollars and you also and had only five dollars to pay, we would divide, give you \$2.50 and God \$2.50." We have become tired of hearing this plea from brethren "Afterwhile when we become a little better circumstanced—our debts paid, and little better fixed generally, we will do our share."

To an evangelist, such talk is annoying. We feel certain, if every brother and sister would treat God half as well as they treat their other creditors, we would have sufficient in the Lord's treasury. Brethren in the name of heaven and for the sake of your own, your friends and the salvation of sinners generally, read and study the sixth chapter of Matthew, especially from the 19th verse to the end, let the 33 verse be indelibly imprinted on your memory and radically developed in your affections, life and character.

I devotedly believe, were the Gospel doctrine as taught and advocated by our brethren, blended with the zeal, courage and general devotedness of the Salvation Army, our cause would flourish above all others. O God, help our lukewarmness—the very worst condition men can possibly fall into. Don't tell me my brother that you are not able to aid any in the Lord's work, as long as you indulge in a single luxury, whether it be on your table, in your house or on your body decoration or in anything else. Come now brother don't exclaim, brother Bauman wants to preach in order to get pay. If you are acquainted with Bro. B. and willing to pass impartial judgment, you will acknowledge that you never knew Bro. Bauman, with all his imperfectness and weakness to shirk Christian sacrifice. He has spent over 28 years in the ministry. Has worked hard physically, so has his family, and lived about as sparingly as possible, at least more so than the average Brethren family, and that today, he and his family are worse off than poor. Do be a little forbearing with this brother when he talks out in "meetin" a little plainly.

"Am I become your enemy because I tell you the truth?"—Paul. Perhaps we have been a little to faithless, we are weak and liable to err. Brethren write to us: "You are too much discouraged and too despondent." Well we will try once more. We will go forth in the strength of God and try once more. We will go wherever doors open. Several are open now. We have exhausted our resources, at trying to find work at our trade in this country. Work is getting scarce here. The country is flooded by laboring men, drawn here from the east by the glaring and largely untruthful western newspaper advertisements. Knights of laborism tends to largely exclude those who do not belong to their order. We are in sympathy with the laboring men and don't blame them, in their efforts of self-protection against oppressive and monopolistic wealth. But we are not in sympathy with secret organization, nor with the spirit of partiality. What we believe to be wrong we can not be bribed into. No, not though we suffer ostracism or even death.

Now then brethren we mean to go to work in God's name. Will you co-operate with us; will you come and become instrumental in the glory of saving sinners and keeping alive our own brethren in Christ. Will you give God his share? You are indebted to him; you owe him all. "While we were sinners Christ died for us." Can we ever repay that loan even though we sacrifice all we have and are, for his sake? Our brethren in this immediate vicinity are deplorably helpless. We are about all in the same boat here. The crop failure here is not only partial, but total. We doubt whether South Haven, Tp. could raise one thousand bu. of corn if every ear was gathered. The brethren here aided us in getting our family here last spring and are willing to aid us farther but they are positively helpless.

Shall we let our cause die, though the cry come from every quarter, Come and preach for us. Will not the brethren east or west come to aid with their mite? Trusting that this appeal in connection with our prayer will cause our brethren

east and west to respond in practical sympathy, we will go to work and try it once more.

W. J. H. BAUMAN.

South Haven, Kans., Aug. 17, 1887.

Platform of the Roman Church.

To give the Bible to the laity is to cast pearls before the swine.—*Cardinal Hosius.*

Let the public school system go to where it came from—the devil.—*Freeman's Journal.*

We hate Protestantism; we detest it with our whole heart and soul.—*Catholic Visitor.*

It is utterly wrong to circulate the Scriptures in the vulgar tongue.—*Archbishop Ximenes.*

We are not advocates of religious freedom, and we repeat we are not.—*Shepherd of the Valley.*

Religious liberty is merely endured until the opposite can be carried into effect.—*Bishop O'Connor.*

God's tribunal and the Pope's tribunal are the same. All other powers are his subjects.—*Muscovius.*

We will take this country and build our institutions over the grave of Protestantism.—*Priest Hecker.*

What Father Walker says is only what has been said by the bishops all over the world, over and over again, in their pastorals, and we heartily endorse it.—*New York Tablet.*

We declare, affirm, define and pronounce it necessary to salvation for every human creature to be subject to the Roman pontiff.—*Cardinal Manning.*

Accursed be those very crafty and deceitful societies called Bible societies, which thrust the Bible into the hands of inexperienced youth.—*Pope Pius IX.*

The Pope has the right to pronounce sentence of deposition against any sovereign when required by the good of the spiritual order.—*Brownson's Review.*

The Door.

"I am the door."—JOHN 10: 9.

Christ is the door to every blessing,
Beyond him lies our heart's desire;
He is the only one possessing
The peace to which our souls aspire.
He is the door to pathways leading
By the waters still, in meadows fair,
Where safe his happy flock are feeding,
All folded in his tender care.

He is the door, yet many, weary,
With bleeding feet and spirit sore,
Turn from the desert, lone and dreary,
And knock in vain upon the door.
And why, when we are oft reminded
To make an open door he died?
O, foolish hearts by sinning blinded,
The bolts are all upon our side.

Not all the matchless love once given,
The crucifixion of God's Son,
Can ope this only door to heaven,
Until our part required is done;
He is the door, his voice is calling,
The lock is fastened by our sin;
We yield our will—the bolts are falling;
O, open door, we enter in.

OUR DEAD.

HOLSINGER.—Meda Blanch, daughter of Bro. Jeremiah and Sister Mary Holsinger, died Aug. 22nd, 1887, aged 5 months and 28 days, after a brief illness. Funeral services were conducted by Bro. Lewis Teeter, of Hagerstown. Sweet babe, her stay with us has been made short, but know she was too bright and beautiful for earth, and that Jesus has need in heaven for such as she. And now she is safe in the arms of Jesus, crowned as one of his bright angels. The bereaved family have the heartfelt sympathies of the community. But may they ever look forward to that day when if we all remain faithful we shall meet her in a bright world, where all sorrow will be vanished. We are in a world of change and separation and we must fortify ourselves against these, by drawing from the abode of pure spirits, from the society of the pure and holy. Where the redeemed mingle in praise to swell the anthems of redeeming love and divine harmony. Jesus has said, "Suffer little children to come unto me, for of such is the kingdom of heaven." M. E. M.

LEONARD.—Died in the city of Elkhart, Ind., on Aug. 17, 1887, George E. Leonard, son of Richard and Amanda Leonard, aged 11 years, 1 month and 17 days. Funeral services were conducted by L. W. Ditch, assisted by the Rev. Cleaver, of the U. B. church, of whose S. S. little Georgie was a bright and active member. Georgie's death was the result of internal injuries received while playing upon a spring board which he and his companions had erected in the river. Either by falling upon the board or the water he injured the bowels which terminated in inflammation and death. From the beginning of his sickness he had a presentiment that he would not get well and requested his grandpa to pray that he might die and meet his sister who had died several years ago. His trust in Jesus took away all fear of death. May his trust be our trust and his friend our friend across the mystic river.